



Satellite image with enhanced low cloud-top temperatures (degrees C) for 6:45 a.m. EST (NOAA)

Agricultural Weather Highlights - Monday - June 11, 2001

- ***In the West***, cooler weather is overspreading ***California***, easing irrigation and electrical demands, but hot conditions persist in the ***Southwest***. Cool, showery weather is slowing fieldwork and crop development in the ***Northwest***.
- ***On the Plains***, hot, dry weather prevails across the ***southern half of the region***, stressing immature winter wheat and emerging summer crops, but aiding drydown and harvesting of more advanced wheat. On the ***northern High Plains***, showers are further easing long-term drought, but cool conditions are slowing crop development.
- ***In the Corn Belt***, very warm weather is fostering rapid crop development across the ***southwestern half of the region***, where today's high temperatures are forecast to range from 90 to 95 degrees F. Meanwhile, showers and thunderstorms are spreading across the ***northern Corn Belt***, maintaining adequate to locally surplus soil moisture reserves.
- ***In the South***, drier weather is arriving across ***eastern Texas and most of Louisiana***, where last week's rainfall (generally 5 to 20 inches) caused widespread flooding. The remnants of Tropical Storm Allison continue to produce flooding rainfall in parts of the ***central Gulf Coast region***.

Outlook: Allison's remnants will continue to produce localized flooding this week, primarily from the ***central Gulf Coast into parts of the Southeast***. Scattered showers are forecast across the ***northern half of the U.S.***, while dry weather will prevail in the ***Southwest***. Temperatures are forecast to remain above normal this week in a broad area from the ***Southwest into the Northeast***. Near- to below-normal temperatures are expected in the ***South***, while much-below-normal temperatures are forecast in the ***Northwest***. The NWS 6-10 day outlook for June 15-19 calls for hot weather to persist in the ***Southwest***, but a return to near-normal temperatures in most other areas. A wet weather pattern is forecast for the ***Pacific Northwest*** and across much of the ***South***, especially from ***Texas to the Carolinas***. Near- to below-normal rainfall is forecast elsewhere.

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